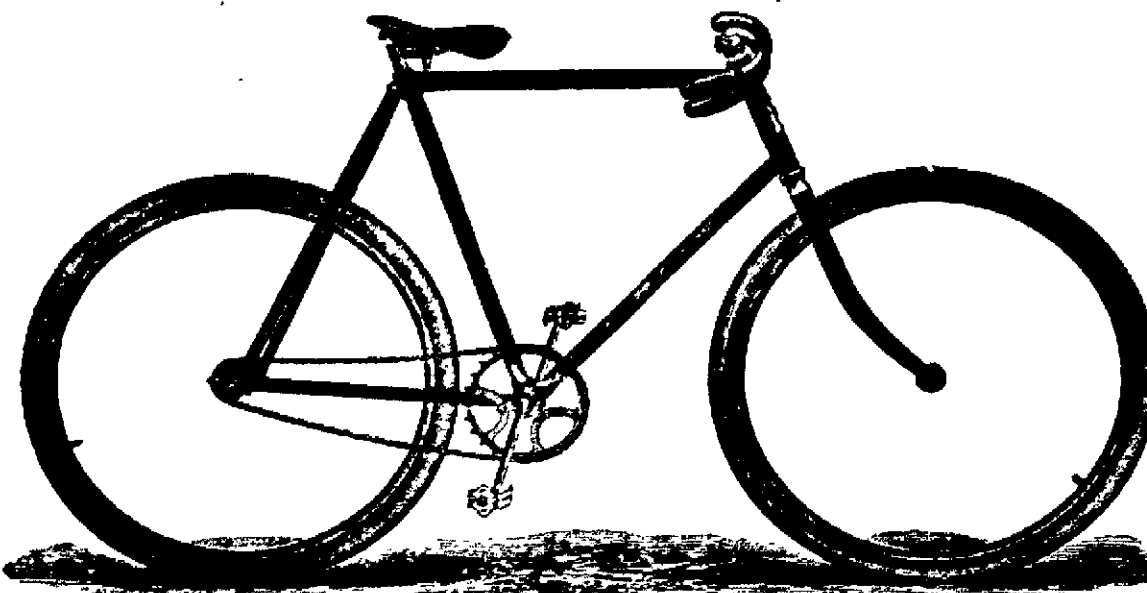


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Owing to the cold, backward season, we have been able to secure some desirable new goods at much less than the regular prices. These special lots, with our regular lines, make one of the finest stocks of Wash Goods in the city, at the lowest price ever known. No samples sent of Wash Goods or mail orders filled unless enough money is sent to pay postage.

1,200 yards fine dainty Lawns, 34 inches wide, made to sell at 10c. We offer this lot, as long as they last, at 6c a yard.

900 yards Striped Organdie, in all the newest shading, in light and dark grounds, made to sell at 12½c. As long as they last 8½c a yard.

36-inch Sea Island Percale, the best goods made, never sold for less than 12½c., warranted fast colors. As long as they last 10c a yard.

36-inch yard-wide French Cambrics. Come in black, with white figures and stripes, navy blue grounds with figures and stripes, also light colors, warranted fast colors. 12½c a yard. Much better than the finest ginghams.

Madras Cloth, 36 inches wide, in all the new checks and dainty colorings: fine for shirt waists or children's dresses.

Plain Organdies, in all the evening shades—Light blue, pink, red, Nile green, black, yellow: comes in two qualities, fine sheer goods at 12½c and 25c a yard. Plain White Organdie, 72 inches wide, 50c a yard. Plain Organdie Linings, in all colors but red, 6c a yd.

Figured Satens, in patterns of 10, 11 and 12 yard lengths, at 10 and 15c a yard, real value 15 and 25c a yard.

Imported Organdies, in patterns not more than two styles of a kind, the regular price is 25c per yard. As long as this lot lasts 19c a yard. Fine for evening dresses.

SHIRT WAISTS.

We sell the Griffin brand of Shirt Waists. The best made and finest fitting goods in the market. Try them and you will never buy any other.

Ladies' Shirt Waists in percale, gingham, madras and linen, in stripe, check and plaid. All made with new blouse front, single point yoke backs, laundered collars and cuffs of same material, five popular prices 50, 75c., \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50.

Black Cambric Waists, made with blouse fronts, size 32 to 42, 75c. Extra sizes of the same kind 44, 46, 48, \$1. Plain Black Lawn Waists, blouse fronts, tucked front and back, \$1 and \$1.25. Black Brilliantine Shirt Waist, handsomely made waist and sleeves lined with fast black percale, \$2.25.

DRESS GOODS.

Black or Navy Blue Serges, all wool, 40 inches wide, 29c. 46-inch all wool 75c Black Serge, for this month only, 59c. 46-inch \$1 fine Mohair Brilliantine; for this lot 75c. 50-inch all wool silk finish \$1.25 Black Serge 89c. 46-inch all wool navy or black Storm Serge; for this lot 50c. 38-inch all wool Covert Cloth, in all the latest shades, 50c a yard. All wool fancy mixed 39 and 50c Dress Goods; for this lot 25c.

180 Ladies' Percale Wrappers, in medium and light shades, skirt 3 yards wide, tight fitting backs, as long as they last 69c.

Ladies' 15c White Ribbed Vests, with short sleeves, good full sizes. 10c.

Ladies' extra size Vests, with or without sleeves, size T. S. 9, for extra stout ladies, 15, 25, 35c each.

\$1.50 and \$2 26-inch silk Carola or Taffeta silk, steel rod Umbrellas 98c and \$1.45. Best values ever shown by any firm.

Men's extra heavy Suspenders, with mohair ends, nickel trimmings, 15c a pair, 2 pair for 25c.

Dainty Summer Comfitters, made from silkoline, busting and eaten lined, filled with pure white cotton, 98c and \$1.29, regular price \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Special lot of Napkins at 98c., \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 a dozen. A good chance for hotels or boarding houses to stock up.

Bleached Pillow Cases 7½, 12, 14c. Bleached Sheets, special values at 40, 44, 48c.

Double faced Waist Lining, pure aniline dye. As long as they last 12½c a yard. Best Kid Cambric 3c a yard.

Another lot of the 75c White Unlaundered Shirts at 50c. Best made and the best shirt at the price ever shown.

All sizes again in our special Wrappers at 98c., \$1.29, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.68—all extra well made.

Ladies' Kid Gauntlet Gloves, fine for driving or bicycling, colors, only 40c a pair.

48 pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains, 2½ and 3 yds. long, the last we will have this season, 49c a pair.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long, 98c., \$1.25, \$1.48, all extra wide and fine patterns.

Brussels Net Curtains, 8½ yards long, all dainty patterns, well worth \$2.75, \$3.50 and \$4.50 per pair. As long as they last \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98.

Men's Fast Black Seamless 15c Hose, sizes 9½ to 11½. As long as they last 10c.

Ladies' full regular made Black Hose, double sole and high spliced heel, 25c hose 19c., 3 pairs for 50c.

Two special lots of Curtain Swiss in dots, figures and stripes, best values we have ever had, 10 and 12½c a yard.

Fancy Perca Silk Underskirts, look like silk and wear much better. \$1.29, \$1.98, \$2.25, \$2.68.

Linen Crash, for bicycle suits and skirts, at 10, 12½, 19c., regular price 15, 20, 25c.

Extra large Linen Towel at 15c. Less than the wholesale price if bought to-day.

Four special bargains in Corsets—perfect fitting in every respect—39, 49, 59, 75c.

Special values in Shirt Waist Sets, Belt Pins and fancy Belt Buckles, all the latest novelties.

White Bed Spreads, all hemmed, ready for use, 49, 69, 98c., \$1.29, \$1.69.

Ladies' double tipped real Lisle Thread Gloves, in black, tan and grey. For this lot only 25c a pair.

CAUGHT AT LAST.

Admiral Cervera Bottled Up In Santiago Harbor.

SCHLEY IS ON GUARD.

The Wily Spaniard Must Now Fight or Starve.

ST. LOUIS CUTS A CUBAN CABLE.

Lively Scrap of the Auxiliary Cruiser and Tug Wampatuck With Spanish Batteries—Troops In San Francisco Bay—Alleged Spy Arrested.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Spain's flying squadron will fly no longer. Its race is run.

Cooled up in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, its destruction or capture is considered by officials here to be merely a matter of time. Before the harbor are the armorclads of the American navy, ready to give battle to Admiral Cervera's men-of-war the moment they poke their noses out of the channel leading to the sea.

Official advices announcing these to be the positions of the opposing fleets were received at the navy department yesterday from the commander in chief of the American force operating in front of the harbor. It was these advices which enabled the authorities to deny emphatically the reports that an action had occurred in the Windward passage.

A prominent official said last night that he regarded it as manifestly impossible that any engagement could have occurred between Cuba and Haiti, notwithstanding the persistent reports to this effect, when the department had absolute knowledge of the whereabouts of the American and Spanish forces.

Secretary Long announced yesterday afternoon that he had reason to believe the Spanish fleet was still in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, and later, in referring to the duties of the war board, he said that it was simply advisory, referring information of value to the fleet commanders and outlining a general policy which they should pursue.

The war board, he declared, made no attempt to determine how a battle should be fought. It is considered a fair inference, in naval circles, therefore, that Commodore Schley's instructions were confined to a notification of the presence of the enemy's squadron in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, coupled with directions to proceed to that point and capture or destroy it.

Whether Commodore Schley shall attempt to force his way into the harbor to meet the Spanish fleet therein is a point which he alone is believed to be competent to pass upon and which he alone must decide. Before his departure from Key West on Thursday last he received a chart setting forth the mines in the channel leading into the harbor, and with this information he will be able to judge what course is best for him to pursue.

By bottling up the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba a great load has been lifted from the shoulders of the authorities. It means:

The freedom from danger of the ports along the Atlantic and gulf coasts.

The safety of the blockading squadron and assurance of its maintenance.

The prompt and comparatively easy transportation of troops to Cuba for the reduction of Havana.

A decisive blow toward the final destruction of Spain's weapons of offense and defense.

So important is considered the retention of the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba or its destruction that the authorities do not propose to let it escape, and if necessary the armorclads in front of Santiago de Cuba will be re-enforced.

So clarified has become the atmosphere as a result of the bottling up of the Spanish fleet in Santiago de Cuba that the authorities are now eagerly and earnestly pressing forward the military expedition which will invade Cuba.

This expedition will unquestionably start this week and will be supported by a formidable force of armorclads, which will be detailed to bombard Havana under the command of Rear Admiral Sampson, while the army makes the land attack.

The gunboat Helena has been retained at Tampa and will be employed as a convoy for the ships which will convey troops. The gunboat Bancroft, which has been at Tampa for some days, was ordered yesterday to proceed with all dispatch to Key West, which will be the point of mobilization for the several corps and from which port they will be transported under the convoy of the Bancroft and other vessels to Cuba.

"War has two sides to it. I have been in one myself," said a distinguished naval officer, well salted in the seas, "and if the people think that Cervera is going to lie in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, saying, 'Come and pick us up,' they mistake the character of the Spanish officer, whom I have every reason to believe is efficient at sea, whatever may be said of the rank and file of the men. It may be found that this so called bottling up of Cervera may prove to be the hardest nut we have yet had to crack.

"I know nothing of what will be done. Commodore Schley might determine upon a certain course of action and on cutting off to the contrary to San-

tago de Cuba might change his whole plan."

Schley Off Santiago.

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica, May 25.—The waters south of Cuba have become the scene of great naval activity. Commodore Schley, who left Key West last Thursday with the United States battleships Massachusetts and Texas, the armored cruiser Brooklyn and the armed yacht Scorpion, is believed to be cruising off Cienfuegos and Santiago de Cuba.

When the Dandy left Key West last Friday morning, Admiral Sampson was still there. It was the opinion of naval officers that he would sail for Cienfuegos soon by the eastern route, the two fleets thus completing the circle of Cuba.

The battleship Iowa followed Commodore Schley on Friday, but was overtaken off Cape San Antonio on Saturday by the torpedo boat Dupont with secret instructions. The battleship immediately increased her speed to the limit and when last seen was guarding the entrance to the passage between the Isle of Pines and Cuba. The Dupont rushed on toward Cienfuegos.

Five British warships are now in the vicinity of Jamaica. The Spanish 1,200 ton passenger steamer Purisima Concepcion is here. She is afraid to venture out. The numerous rumors as to the sighting of the phantom Spanish fleet in this vicinity are quite unsubstantiated.

CUBAN CABLE CUT.

St. Louis and Wampatuck Attacked While at Work.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, May 25.—It is reported here that the auxiliary cruiser St. Louis and the Wampatuck, acting under orders from Admiral Sampson, went to Santiago de Cuba last week to cut the cable lines. When the vessels reached there, the Spanish forts opened fire upon them. In spite of that the mission was accomplished, and one of the cables leading out of Santiago de Cuba was cut.

The cable was picked up within range of the guns of Morro castle, and the Spaniards at once opened fire on the Americans.

Two sand batteries and one mortar battery on the shore at the bottom of the height on which Morro castle is situated joined in the firing, to which the Americans responded.

The aim of the Spanish gunners was bad. The men detailed to cut the cable grappled for it from the deck of the St. Louis. They found it with little difficulty and lifted it to the forecable of the St. Louis, where it was cut, the Spaniards meanwhile doing their best to disable the cruiser.

The engagement was very lively while it lasted. The St. Louis brought her total armament of four 6 pounders into play, while the Wampatuck used her one 3 pounder. With this small armament the Americans finally succeeded in silencing all but two or three of the Spanish guns.

Neither of the American vessels was seriously damaged. A topmast backstay on the St. Louis was shot away, and the pilot house of the Wampatuck was slightly splintered.

One man on the St. Louis had a finger broken by a flying fragment of a shell while handling the cable.

When the Americans had completed their work at Santiago, they proceeded some 20 miles to the eastward, where they entered the bay of Guantanamo, they being under orders to cut the cable there also.

While they were picking up the cable in the bay the Spanish batteries opened fire on them, but the guns being small and poorly handled were ineffective.

Two well placed shots from the St. Louis secured quiet, and the work of crippling Blanco's communication with the outside world was peacefully accomplished. The Americans laughed at the gunnery of the Spaniards.

It Was a British Cable.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Late yesterday afternoon it was ascertained that the cable from Santiago that was cut by the American warship St. Louis was not the line controlled by the French company running from Santiago to Haiti through Guantanamo, but was one of the two English cables running from Santiago south to Jamaica. This information was communicated to the officials of the government by Mr. Lurienne, the general agent of the French Cable company in the United States. General Blanco, therefore, is not isolated from the rest of the world, but can still communicate with the home government by either the French cable going to Haiti or the English one running to Jamaica.

Supposed Spy Arrested.

KEY WEST, May 25.—An important arrest of a supposed Spanish spy was made last night by United States Marshal Hoar. The prisoner is Romigno Sapetoro Jimenez, who was among those captured on the steamer Panama and has since been held aboard ship as a prisoner of war. Jimenez is supposed to have obtained information concerning New York harbor and its defenses, with charts of the harbor, which he is attempting to get to the Spanish authorities.

He is about 40 years of age, a Spaniard and a civil engineer.

Late yesterday afternoon Marshal Hoar, with several deputies and United States Commissioner Otto, received information from the north, in consequence of which they slipped quietly out to the Panama, arrested Jimenez and brought him ashore. He was taken to the Key West hotel and put through a vigorous examination in a private room. So quietly was the affair managed, however, that only one or two persons know of it.

Jimenez stoutly denied the accusation that he was a spy, but his story was of such a contradictory nature that it confirmed the suspicions of the federal authorities.

READY TO SAIL.

City of Peking and Steamer Sydney Anchored in Bay Last Night.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—A dispatch was received by Adjutant General Corbin late yesterday afternoon from Major General Otis at San Francisco which conveyed to the war department officials very gratifying information. The dispatch, which was sent yesterday afternoon, is as follows:

"Steamer City of Sydney, with troops on board and prepared to sail, is anchored in the bay beside the City of Peking. The Australia is loaded and ordered to leave her dock at 4 o'clock this afternoon and anchor in the bay. I am not sufficiently informed when the City of Peking will complete loading naval stores, but understand that it will be this evening. The hour of departure of the three vessels depends upon the naval authorities. The strength of General Anderson's command is 117 officers and 2,382 enlisted men. The navy contingent consists of 11 officers and 76 enlisted men. The total for the three vessels is 123 officers and 2,458 enlisted men."

Assistant Secretary of War Meiklejohn received last night a dispatch from Mr. Arthur Sewall of Bath, Me., candidate for vice president on the Democratic ticket in 1896, offering, on behalf of Arthur Sewall & Co., the ship Roanoke, now at San Francisco, to the government for transport purposes. The Roanoke is of 3,539 tons register and has a capacity of 5,000 tons. Mr. Sewall says the ship can be fitted for about 2,500 men and 1,500 tons of freight. She is now under charter for New York, but Mr. Sewall expresses the opinion that he can arrange to cancel the charter if the government is in need of the vessel.

Secretary Meiklejohn immediately telegraphed to San Francisco to have an inspection made of the ship, and if that should prove satisfactory the Roanoke undoubtedly will be chartered.

Dewey Says Manila Is Starving.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The navy department yesterday received a cablegram from Admiral Dewey, as follows:

"Situation unchanged. Strict blockade continued. Great scarcity of provisions in Manila. Foreign subjects fear an outbreak of the Spanish soldiers, and they will be transferred to Cavite by the foreign men-of-war in the harbor."

Aguinaldo, the rebel commander in chief, who was brought here from Hongkong on the McCulloch, is organizing a force of native cavalry and may render assistance that will be valuable."

TO WAVE OVER MORRO.

Historic Flag Presented to Secretary Alger to Mark Havana's Fall.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—There was an interesting scene in the anteroom of Secretary Alger's office at the war department yesterday afternoon when a delegation of grizzled veterans from T. M. K. Lee post of Merchantville, N. J., presented the secretary with a large and handsome flag. Its dimensions were 21 by 32 feet. The emblem has a history of considerable interest, having been bought originally by the Corn Exchange of Philadelphia in 1861, when a regiment of soldiers was enlisted under it. After the war was over the flag was given to Alexander G. Catell, a personal friend of General Ulysses S. Grant, who raised it on several occasions of interest. Subsequently the flag was purchased by George W. Alger of Merchantville and was presented at the latter's suggestion to the secretary as a gift from the citizens of that place.

The presentation speech was made by Fast Department Commander Henry L. Hartsborn, who referred to the services of Secretary Alger while commander in chief of the Grand Army and in conclusion asked that he direct that the flag be the first to be unfurled on Morro castle's staff when Havana comes into the possession of the United States government.

Secretary Alger made a feeling response to the address. His voice seemed choked with emotion, and it appeared to be with difficulty that he uttered the words which almost brought tears to the eyes of the assembled veterans. He expressed the great and agreeable surprise which the occasion brought to him and added that it would give him pleasure to grasp the hands of comrades, loyal and stalwart men who were always ready to defend the flag and make sacrifices for the country's honor. Comrades of the last war were passing away and another generation was coming to the front to take up the cause of our country, and they would vindicate its honor. He had no fear that wherever the flag floated it would be guarded, carried and supported by the American soldiers. Sacrifices would be made, lives would be lost, the secretary continued, but blood shed in the cause of humanity was well shed. Wherever our army was called it would establish a record in history as it had in the past and our troops would pass over the ramparts of the enemy and would be victorious. The secretary concluded substantially as follows:

"I thoroughly believe that an overruling Providence is placing this great burden on the American people. Our country has taken up the cause of humanity and it will not lay down its arms until Cuba is free and a government of the people and by the people is there established. I thank you for the flag and will direct that it be raised over Morro castle when it is in our possession."

LONDON WAR NEWS.

France Is Growing Very Friendly—Viscaya and Alfonso XIII Reported Sunk.

LONDON, May 25.—The Paris correspondent of The Standard says:

"The report that negotiations have been opened for the transfer of the Philippines to France by sale or lease is absolutely false. The policy at present pursued by the French government is to cultivate the most friendly relations with the United States. I have reason to know that the American government has received assurances to this effect, which leave no room for doubt as to the intentions of France."

A dispatch to The Financial News from Port d'Paix, Haiti, says:

"Admiral Cervera is believed to have divided his fleet, and it is reported that the Viscaya and the Alfonso XIII have been destroyed."

A LETTER FROM LEO.

The Church Deplores the Recent Up-
rising in Italy.

ROME, May 25.—The Observatore Romano publishes a letter from the pope to Cardinal Andrea Ferrari, archbishop of Milan, expressing profound emotion because of the grave disorders in Italy. The pope says:

"These disorders are the fruit of evil seed, scattered with impunity in Italy, which leads to the corruption of minds, the perversion of morals and the detriment of religion. We have seen that, instead of exhorting and calming wicked people, honest citizens have been guilty of disorders in a mistaken idea that they are devoting themselves to the interests of the church and the holy see, affecting to ignore the fact that the church teaches men to avoid rioting. But it was not the Catholics who provoked the disorders, the authors of which must be sought elsewhere."

The pope could wish, he continued, that Cardinal Ferrari had been at Milan at the time of the rioting in order to pacify the people, and he declares that he has been greatly moved by the insults contained in the manifest against a member of the Sacred college. "It was not against the person of the cardinal, who has always exemplified great pastoral charity, that the attacks were directed, but against the principles he presented. It is impossible to understand whether such a campaign can lead when the social authority is shaken."

The pope declares, however, that he has derived great consolation from the evidences of devotion of which the archbishop has been the object, and in concluding the letter expresses his confidence that the Catholic clergy at Milan will remain under the influence of their affection for their pastor.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The south bound California express on the Santa Fe road was held up by bandits near Belton, N. M.

Benedetto Brin, inspector general of naval engineering and Italian minister of marine, died yesterday at Rome.

A force of troops has rescued the missionaries who were in peril of massacre by natives in Sierra Leone, West Africa.

Reports from Dallas state that half the wheat crop of the north Texas wheat belt was destroyed by the tornado of Friday night.

A party of Mexicans, including President Diaz's son-in-law, have bought at Kansas City a trainload of American products to be sent to Mexico City.

The Berkshire Cotton Manufacturing company of Adams, Mass., posted a notice yesterday declaring a 10 per cent reduction in wages. The cut affected 2,000 employees.

Thirty citizens of Birmingham, Ala., decided not to go to the Paris exposition, owing to the unfriendly French feeling, and urged a boycott against the undertaking by Americans.

Judge Lewis W. Clark of Manchester was appointed chief justice of the New Hampshire supreme court by the governor and council yesterday afternoon. Through the constitutional age limit his term will expire Aug. 19 next.

Damage Suits Against the State.
ALBANY, May 25.—Two claims aggregating \$217,315 have been filed against the state for damages alleged to have been incurred by contractors having work in the state prison at Auburn by reason of the fire in that prison in 1895. One claim for \$137,247 comes from F. H. Mills of Elmira, who had a contract to manufacture furniture, and the other for \$80,068 was filed by Cone, McCaffrey & Co. of New York city, who had a contract to manufacture clothing.

Postmasters Appointed.
WASHINGTON, May 25.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: New York—Baldwin, Tredwell D. Smith; Cahoone, Robert S. Detrick; Pennsylvania—Berrysburg, J. Frank Miller; Elletts, Jane E. A. Fairman; Pilesville, Eli Feimer; Keisters, Eldora M. Merishmer; McCaslin, John C. Gearing; Oberlin, A. L. Shope; Sasamansville, Henry H. Benninger, Jr.; Sharon Hill, David Dalton.

Killed by a Passenger Train.
SCHENECTADY, N. Y., May 25.—John Van Wormer, a wealthy farmer, aged 61, was struck and instantly killed by a West Shore train at Guildford Center late yesterday afternoon. He was walking on the east bound track and in stepping out of the way of a gravel train walked directly in front of the passenger train.

International Fishery War.
ST. JOHN'S, N. F., May 25.—Owing to the action of the colonial cabinet in enforcing the laws prohibiting the export of bait from Canadian waters to the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, the French fishery on the Grand Banks this season is practically ruined. The French in retaliation demand that the colonial cabinet shall forbid nomadic Newfoundland vessels from fishing on the treaty coast where the French have fishery rights. Monday the British colonial office wired asking the Newfoundland colonial ministry to frame resolutions to that effect, fearing to provoke trouble between France and Great Britain. The Newfoundland cabinet declines to interfere, contending that this is a matter for inquiry by the royal commission recently requested to investigate the colony's affairs. It is expected that the cabinet's decision will lead to severe friction between the French and British warships along the treaty coast this season.

Steel Foundry Blown Up.
ST. LOUIS, May 25.—A telephone message from Granite City, Ill., a few miles from East St. Louis, announces that 26 people were injured by an explosion at the steel mill there yesterday. A gasoline tank in the American Steel foundry blew up, burning the employees about it. Of the 29 injured, 10 were killed. The company's chemist is fatally hurt. The others are badly burned. The explosion caused a fire which burned down the smelter and part of the molding department. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

Not Spiritual Improvement.
"Is old man Worldly as big a liar as ever?"

"No; he doesn't think quite as rapidly as he used to."—D. H. Frost.

Reason for It.
Amy—What makes you consider him a self-made man?

Mamie—He made a fool of himself last night.—Up-to-Date.

THE PHILIPPINES
AND THEIR VALUE TO US.

Great Area of Fertile Land Won to the United States by
Dewey's Brilliant Victory & The Natives and Some of
Their Characteristics.

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Commodore Dewey's advance with his fleet upon the Philippines, and his brilliant exploits and victory there may make a brief account of these islands—almost the only remaining possessions of the Spaniards in the East Indies—a matter of some interest at the present time.

This group of 1,200 islands, with the China sea on the west and the Pacific on the east, extend a thousand miles nearly parallel with the southeastern coast of continental Asia, from latitude five degrees thirty minutes north of the equator in a northeasterly direction to latitude 19 degrees 30 minutes—as far as from St. Petersburg to the south point of Italy. The mean longitude of the most northerly island of the group, Luzon, is something more than 160 degrees west from Washington. It may be stated, therefore, that the difference of time between Manila and Washington is more than ten hours; but as their time is reckoned from the east their day begins nearly 14 hours before our own.

The aggregate area of these islands is 200,000 square miles—a region nearly equal in extent to New England, the four middle states and Ohio, besides Luzon, the largest and most northerly island, is nearly as large as all the six New England states together. Mindanao, at the southeast angle of the archipelago, is as large as Vermont and New Hampshire, having an area of 20,000 square miles.

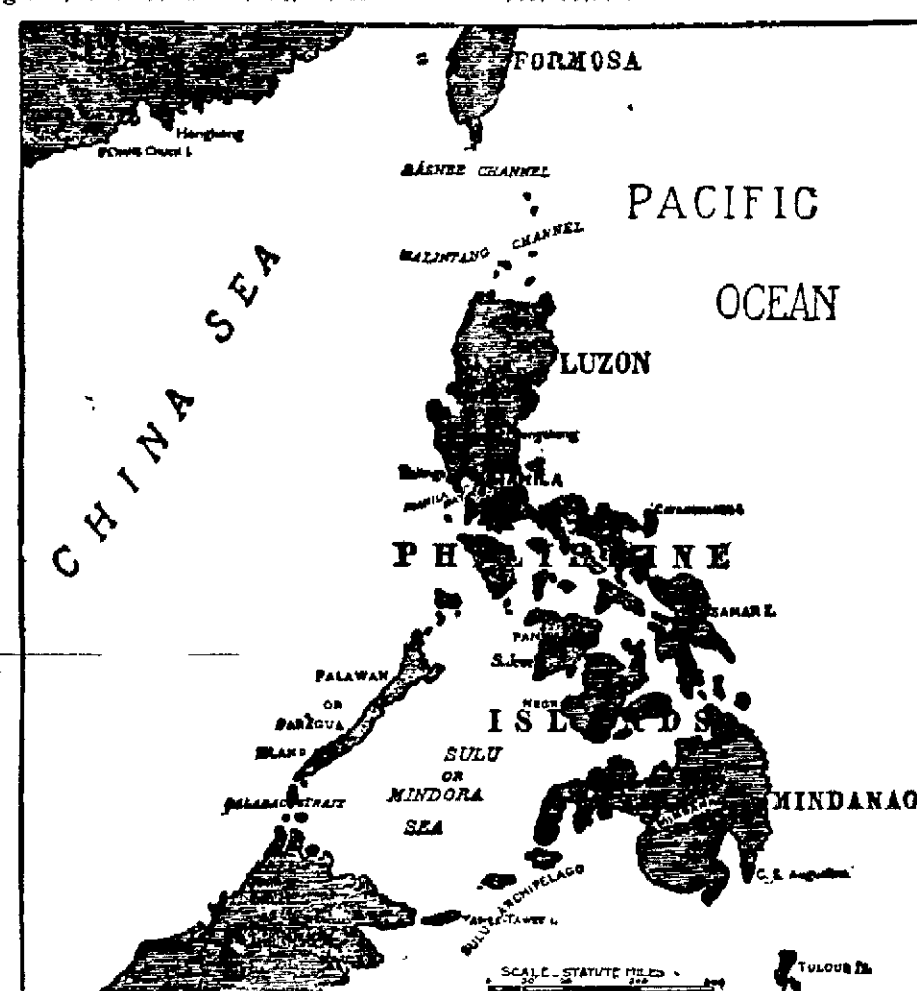
The group is an intricate maze of irregular, mostly small, volcanic islands; with a network of intervening bays, gulfs, cliff-bound fords, straits and

tially the history of the islands. It has at the present time a population of nearly 300,000, Malaysians, Negritos, Chinese and mixed breeds, with not more than 10,000 Europeans. The Chinese people, who came to the islands very early, have often risen in revolt against Spanish tyranny, and have generally been subdued by an indiscriminate slaughter. In 1603 20,000 of them were thus massacred, and again in 1742 25,000 met a similar fate.

In 1762 an English fleet under Sir William Draper captured the town after a bombardment of ten hours, and levied a heavy tribute upon the inhabitants. The fortifications of the town and of its approaches are now very much stronger than they were 140 years ago; but Commodore Dewey's warships are correspondingly better fighting engines than Draper's wooden sail craft of the last century.

The entire population of the islands is estimated to be as much as 8,000,000, mostly a low type of South Sea Islanders, Chinese, mixed breeds and a sprinkling of Europeans as merchants and officials. These last mostly reside in a few of the larger towns.

Considerable commerce is carried on with the Philippines, mostly at Manila, by the English, the Americans, the Germans and the Spanish. The annual exports and imports, in about equal parts, now reach something over \$30,000,000. Cotton, indigo, Manila fabrics and tobacco in manufactured cigars and cheroots, are the chief commodities of export. These islands pay a tribute revenue to Spain annually of \$15,000,000.



OUR NEW POSSESSIONS.

channels, through which the entangled ocean and tidal currents rush and swirl in angry menace to all navigators except the most skilled local pilots. The high volcanic peaks of these islands, rising sometimes 6,000 or 8,000 feet above sea level, seem like the tops of a great, partly-submerged system of mountain ranges that run from Borneo and Celebes on the south off through the Philippines, Formosa, the Luchu group, toward the Japan islands far to the northeast.

The climate of the Philippines is tropical, though the temperature is equable, reaching between the narrow limits of 75 to 95 degrees. The southern monsoon begins to blow about May 1, its coming heralded and accompanied by terrific wind and electric storms. This monsoon blows for five months, and during this season as much as eight feet of water falls upon the western coast. From October to April the northeastern monsoon blows, and then the eastern coasts receive their floods of rainfall. Earthquakes are frequent, and are so severe that most houses are built of wood or light bamboo, and seldom more than one story high.

The warm climate and the copious rains make a luxuriant vegetation. Corn, cotton, tobacco, indigo and most subtropical fruits grow in abundance. The more elevated interior regions of the larger islands have a salubrious and invigorating though subtropical climate.

The Philippines were discovered by Magellan in 1521. A Spanish fleet from Mexico in 1665 took possession of them in the name of the Spanish throne and named them in honor of Philip II.

The history of Spanish dominion in the Philippines is but an obscure counterpart of that history in South America, in Mexico, and in Cuba. Cruelty and rapine have been the significant features here as there.

The operations of the Spaniards have been mostly confined to the island of Luzon, the largest and the capital, of all these colonies, is situated on a well-locked bay on the west side of this island. Here is where the recent naval battle was fought. The city was founded in 1571. Its history is unbroken.

Excellent harbors, valuable minerals, plentiful building and ship timber, a luxuriant vegetation, and a not insalubrious climate on the interior highlands, would soon make these islands the home of a numerous, prosperous and happy people, if freed from the blasting effects of Spanish rule.

If healthy young men should be sent there as soldiers for occupation of military posts, they would soon become acclimated, and would suffer far less than English soldiers and civilians suffer in the jungle regions of India. The salubrious and comparatively cool region of the elevated interior of any one of these islands are always within easy reach of the coasts.

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Big Chief Old and Poor.
Simon Pokagon, chief of the once powerful tribe of Pottawatomie Indians, is dangerously sick near St. Joseph, Mich., from what is supposed to be blood poisoning, caused by a rusty nail passing through the palm of his hand. Two years ago he received \$108,000 from the government for land sold half a century ago, which was equally divided among the tribe. It is now said the aged warrior is without means of subsistence.

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IN CAMP AT HEMPSTEAD.

A RAINY DAY THAT AFFECTED THE SPIRITS OF ALL.

All Drills Dispersed With and Men Had to Keep to Their Tents—Departure at 6 o'clock—All in Good Health—Red Tape Before Promotions Can Be Made—Pay Rolls Returned and No Money in Sight—Other Notes.

CAMP BLACK, HEMPSTEAD PLAINS, May 24, 1898.

Rain, rain, rain. All day long, yesterday, rain fell in steady streams. All drills were suspended and evening parade was dispensed with. For the first day since we arrived there was not a Middle-town visitor in our streets, and the day seemed interminably long. The men became discontented during such weather and frequently express their preference for drills rather than enforced idleness.

It was still raining, this morning, and the early morning drills were declared off. About 9 o'clock, however, the rain ceased and the company had a drill at 10 o'clock in place of the usual battalion drill.

The 14th and 15th companies were out on provost guard duty, yesterday, returning, this morning. They will, of course, rest, to-day, and the regimental drill will doubtless be abandoned, to-day. Yesterday was absolutely devoid of events of interest. The men were obliged to keep to their tents and amuse themselves as best they could.

This morning the preparations of the 69th to leave camp caused a slight interest and gave the men something to talk about. The regiment was very slow in getting ready. The tents were water-soaked and therefore extra heavy and hard to handle. Our boys were glad that they were not called to move in such weather.

The departure of the 69th leaves but four regiments in camp, Ours, the Third, 22d and 47th. The two latter regiments have not been mustered in as yet.

The health of the men continues good and nearly all have recovered from their colds notwithstanding the wet weather. The recruits are all in excellent health and have progressed so well under the instruction of the corporals that they were given a place in the company at drill, this morning, and will be permitted to go out on evening parade, to-night.

Lieut. Decker donned his shoulder straps for the first time at drill, this morning. A considerable amount of red tape will have to be measured before Lieutenants Wallace and Decker receive their respective commissions. The former will have to resign as second lieutenant for the purpose of accepting a commission as first lieutenant. These papers must be forwarded to the War Department at Washington, and on their return Lieut. Decker will receive his discharge as first sergeant and his papers will have to take the same course. I cannot obtain my warrant as first sergeant until the above transfers are completed, but in accordance with instructions from Capt. McIntyre I have donned the extra diamond in my chevrons.

Most of the men are wondering when they will get their pay from the State. The rolls were signed last Thursday, but were returned yesterday to be rewritten, and must all be signed again.

The powers wanted the names of all the members of the company who appeared at the armory in response to the call for volunteers, with memoranda as to whether they volunteered or not; the names of all recruits who left the armory with the company; the names of those rejected by surgeons; and the names of recruits sent to fill the vacancies caused by rejections.

This has caused a great amount of extra work and a delay which will cause great inconvenience to the men, most of whom are becoming financially embarrassed.

The first lunatic in camp, a Rochester man, was discovered in Company H of the 3d Regiment by the surgeons, yesterday morning, and Assistant Surgeon Ashley was detailed to take him to Bellevue Hospital in New York.

The visitors, to-day, were Mrs. A. E. McIntyre and son, Earle, Supervisor Fredericks, Miss Babcock and friend.

Nick.

A RECORD BREAKER.

The Empire State Express Runs Very Close to Its Fast Schedule Time.

The Empire State express of the New York Central has now been running over six years (since November, 1891), and has undoubtedly made by far the largest aggregate of "record runs" for a regular train that can be found anywhere, says the Railroad Gazette. The permanent establishment of such fast schedules makes it of interest to examine the record more in detail than is usually done, and we have therefore procured from General Superintendent Van Etten a condensed summary of the train sheet eastbound, for the calendar year 1897.

The schedule speed west-bound, New York to Buffalo, 440.2 miles, including stops, is 53.35 miles an hour. East-bound, Buffalo to New York, it is 48.9 miles an hour (50.6 Buffalo to Albany, and 46.4 Albany to New York). The train consists of four cars, weighing about 330,000 pounds, and is drawn by engines weighing about sixty tons, with cylinders 19x24 inches, and driving wheels about 7 feet in diameter. The monthly table is self-explanatory. It will be seen that the west-bound train arrived at the end of its trip within five minutes of schedule time on 268 days out of 313, eighty-six per cent., and the east-bound 306 times out of 313, or ninety-eight per cent.

COSTLY PIECE OF ROAD.

Was That Portion of the Erie Near Ararat Summit.

The most costly little stretch of road-bed for a railroad in any country is said to be on the Carbondale division of the Erie Railroad near Ararat Summit. It is only a quarter of a mile long, but it cost nearly \$300,000 to get the track ready for the rails.

The railroad was completed in 1870 and trains had passed over it but one night when a quarter of a mile of the track and railroad disappeared entirely, and a great quagmire occupied the place where apparently solid ground had been before. Into this was put 10,000 carloads of gravel and 500 large hemlock trees were thrown in without having any perceptible effect toward forming a bottom on which a new railroad could be founded. They finally found solid rock 100 feet below the surface and made a solid foundation by driving four piles each forty feet long on top of one another. It took 1,500 trees and a whole hill of gravel to make the solid bed.

GRANITE COMPANIES BUSY.

The Empire State and Pochuck Companies Working on Big Contracts.

The Empire State and Pochuck Granite Companies are working about 120 men at their quarries, of whom about sixty are stone cutters. Each company has besides about forty men employed at its works in Goshen.

The Empire State Company is working on a contract for the New York Dock Department and the Paterson post office and the Pochuck company for the new Tombs prison in New York and for the anchorage blocks for the East River bridge.

Pine Island as a Peach Growing Centre.

The Pine Island correspondent of the Independent Republican says that about 55,500 peach trees are growing within three and a half miles of that station, two-thirds of which are in bearing, and which are expected to yield, in year, 120,000 bushels of marketable fruit. Last year 22,000 baskets were shipped from Pine Island station, of which the Wellen Brothers' Peach Grove Farm yielded 10,000 baskets.

A Millionaire's Plan for a Summer Home in Sullivan County.

P. H. Flynn, of Brooklyn, who has very large electric railroad interests, is having plans prepared for a \$100,000 house to be erected on the 2,000-acre tract he recently purchased near Livingston Manor. Fish ponds and game preserves are to add to the attractiveness of his summer home.

Fishermen Had Good Luck.

Fishermen at the reservoirs had great luck, Tuesday, nearly everyone getting a fine lot of pickerel, sunfish and catfish. Ang. Fish returned with a ten-quart pail full of fish prepared for eating. A party who went to Burnside also caught a nice string of fish.

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ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

The location of the 24th boys at Fort Hamilton or Fort Wadsworth will delight the friends of the owners of the launch Olivette, which may be placed on New York Bay, and trips to the forts would of course be all the summer excursioning that these well known young people would care for. As a commissary boat it would be a dandy.

The writer fears, however, that the Olivette is headed toward Kiamashu Lake.

The 24th boys are lucky. The assignment, reported, at New York harbor forts is the soiest thing they could have asked for. No eating off the knees there. Sanitary arrangements equal to the home, probability of barracks, and not tents, during heavy storms, and close at home. No yellow fever, no "rainy season," just ocean breezes and tedious drills. The latter will probably include heavy gun drill, and thus the monotonous "four's right into line," etc., will be varied with the new drill.

The bicycle ordinance passed by the council is a rigid one, and doubtless well intended, but a lawyer thinks the authorities would have a hard time convicting a man for riding with hands off the handle bars. According to this a one-armed rider, and there are a number of them in this city, would be half guilty of a violation and, we may assume, subject to half a fine.

A man walked into a store in this city, yesterday, and showed a letter to a friend. It was from a soldier and the recipient said: "I'm going to keep this as a memento."

A city alderman always says he thinks this or that "ordiance" should be enforced, and a father of one of the 24th boys speaks of the "army corpse."

A young man engaged in fixing a fence, the other day, astonished his employer by saying that a board should be allowed to "eject" a few inches and a few minutes later he supplemented this with the statement that it "dejected" too much.

One of the "news butchers" who missed his train, the other morning, and whose trunk was sent on without him, had an original excuse when he appeared at the news company's office from the next train.

"I took my shoes to a shoemaker's, three days ago, to have them half-soled. This morning it rained, and as he had promised to have the shoes done yesterday, I wore my big rubber boots to the shop, having just time enough to change them. The shoes were not done, and of course I couldn't wear those big, hot boots on the train."

The mother of a very bright little girl, whose favorite game is hide and seek, was reading the Argus aloud a night or two ago and came upon a reference to Spanish and American fleets playing hide and seek in the Caribbean Sea. The little one was all attention in a moment and quite broke her mother up by eagerly asking "Who's it?" The question was, however, easily and truthfully answered by telling the youngster that "we are 'it'."

Just now when so many are recalling Chauncey Olcott, the following from the Newburgh Telegram will interest:

It is said that once after a matinee in the Columbus Theatre, New York, Chauncey Olcott, who seems to have more ball than the average "Willie" actor, administered a good lesson to two of those silly females known as the matinee girls. They waited outside the theatre to see him come out and tell him in their idiotic way how too perfectly lovely he was for anything. Olcott saw them. He also saw that their dresses had not yet become familiar with the tops of their shoes, or that their hair had not yet assumed proportions sufficiently abundant to tie or dress in the pretentious coiffure. He noticed these things and thought of their mothers, and the inanity of these girls. He saluted them. They blushed, teared and giggled. He said something pleasing, though commonplace, which restored their composure. Emboldened by a few answers from them to his questions he asked them if he might not accompany them to their home. This was an honor too great to be discarded. They consented. It happened that they did not live far from the theatre. He rang the bell at the first girl's home and her mother came out. Before the mother could say anything Olcott told her how he came to be there. He said: "I'm here in the interest of your daughter whom I found beginning her foolish career outside the theatre where I am acting. Keep her away from the theatre unless you or some other responsible person accompanies her. You should also kindly tell this other girl's mother. Here is my card. Good day."

Strange Effects of a Lightning Stroke.

The lightning, which struck and fired James Henry's barn, near Monroe, last week, did not descend vertically, but struck the south end of the building, tearing off part of the siding and throwing the boards several rods. It also tore the doors at that end of the building from their hinges, allowing a cow and a calf to escape.

Why Tramps Are Plopping to Paugh-keepie.

Of late Poughkeepsie's police court has been sending from five to fourteen tramps to jail nearly every day. Tramps look upon imprisonment there as a picnic and are piling into town on every train. The newspapers are beginning to protest against adding the county with such useless expense.

See list of Druggists.

MAPLE DALE.

A Fine Country Residence—Late Planting—Good Potatoes—Barre—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Robert Nelson has completed painting his house. For convenient arrangements, situation and surroundings it is an ideal, up-to-date country residence.

—C. L. Wells has been visiting Henry Palmer, at Millsburgh.

—The farmers of this section are unusually late in having their crops planted, owing to unfavorable weather. The lazy farmer has a good excuse, this spring.

—The many friends and well-wishers of Robert Nelson will be glad to hear that he is steadily recovering from the bad effects of a fractured leg.

—A tenant has been superseded by a flock of chickens. The latter are, no doubt, more profitable.

—Seed potatoes are at a premium around here. Some, I believe, are planting the skins.

—Housekeepers are as ardent in their preparations for summer boarders as Dewey was the day before he fought the Spaniards at Manila.

WAWAYANDA.

Have Begun Housekeeping—Many Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mrs. Edmonds and family, of Mexico, Mo., are visiting at Charles E. Clark's, at Slate Hill.

—Miss Arzela Speir, of Goshen, is staying with her uncle, S. F. Clark, of Ridgebury, for a few weeks.

—Miss Minnie Wickham, of Middletown, spent Sunday with her cousin, Mrs. Horace C. Hall.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Kelly have rented rooms of Mrs. Clark, and have commenced housekeeping.

—Silas C. Brown, who injured his knee while at work on Jacob Kinney's barn, is improving slowly.

—Dr. John I. Stivers visited his father, Randall Stivers, Saturday.

HARD TO EXPLAIN.

If This Had Occurred Anywhere Else Than Middletown There Might Be Grave Doubts About It.

If this were published anywhere else but in Middletown; that is if the statement given below went the rounds of the press, readers in Boston or New Orleans would not believe it. In the very nature of things men and women will not believe that a simple pill would have any effect on humanity, when the subject is in a serious condition. When it has that effect, when the party is a living witness, perhaps a neighbor, Middletown people, at least, cannot possibly deny it—particularly so when investigation is courted.

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"For a long time I had something wrong with my kidneys. It runs in our family, for my father had the same complaint. The pain lodged in the small of my back and always became worse if I caught cold or if I overtaxed myself. Urinary trouble annoyed me particularly at night, the frequency often compelled me to rise four or five times. I tried doctor's prescriptions and other remedies but failed to get any relief. At last I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. Now when I tell you that the benefit received was so great that I sent a box of Doan's Kidney Pills to my father who had kidney disease, with positive instructions to take them, you can judge in what estimation I hold them. I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, and you are at liberty to refer to me."

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold for 50 cents per box or six boxes for \$2.50, Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Sent by mail on receipt of price. For sale by all dealers.

Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

Distressing Stomach Disease.

Permanently cured by the masterly power of South American Nerve Tonic. Invalids need suffer no longer because this great remedy can cure them all. It is a cure for the whole world of stomach weakness and indigestion. The cure begins with the first dose. The relief it brings is marvellous and surprising. It makes no failure; never disappoints. No matter how long you have suffered, your cure is certain under the use of this great health-giving force. Pleasant and always safe. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggists Middletown, N. Y.

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called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about one-fourth as much as coffee. 15 and 25c.

Dr. Bull's Pills

See list of Druggists.



"If you

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Ladies' Fast Black Hose.....	5c a pair	Toweling.....	3 1/2c a yd
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Ladies' and Gents' 4-ply Linen Collars.....	8c each	For House Cleaning.	
Latest styles.....	8c each	Oil painted Linen Window Shades, with	
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Large assortment of Leather and Metal		Shelf Oil Cloth, full width, good quality.....	10c a yd
Belts.....	8c up	Table Oil Cloth, full width, full width.....	2 1/2c a yd
A full line Ladies' Fine Dress Skirts from \$3c up		100 feet Clothes Line.....	15 cents
A full line of Children's Bonnets, silk		Whitewash Brushes with long handles.....	8c up
and lace, from.....	5c up	Store Brushes.....	8 cents
Children's School Handkerchiefs.....	1c each	Dustpan Brushes.....	10c up
Ladies' Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs.....	3c each	Bicycle Brushes.....	8c up
Neckwear.		Sleeping Brushes, long handles, regular	
Large assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Neckties from.....	5c up	price \$1, sale price.....	48c each
Ladies' Ribbed Vests, trimmed neck from.....	4c up	Earthen Stew Kettles, glazed on both	
Children's White Merino Shirts, good		sides.....	10c each
quality.....	4c up	Large roll Toilet Paper.....	3c a roll
Gentlemen's Socks.....	2c a pair	Chemical Complexion Soap, regular	
Large assortment of Gentlemen's Underwear at very low prices.....		price 1c a cake, sale price.....	1c a cake

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Do not forget to look at our Window Shades.

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bring say 4 per cent. I give you as good ones at 5 per cent.—an increase of 25 per cent. in this much of your income. Your best home mortgages bring 5 per cent, mine are as good and bring 6 per cent.—an increase of 20 per cent. If you put your 4 per cent money in my 6 per cent loans which have stood up better than your home loans for seventeen years, we add 50 per cent. to this much of your income; that is, \$1,000 becomes worth \$1,500. Are you neglecting a duty to those dependent upon you?

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Low Building, First Door North of Post Office.

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Money left with the First National Bank in Middletown, on certificate of deposit, for three (3) months, will draw interest at the rate of three (3) per cent, per annum.

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have a field exclusively their own. Rates on ap-
plication.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 25.—Partly
cloudy and showers to-night, cooler
Thursday fair.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermom-
eter at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 62°; 12 m., 74°; 3 p. m., 71°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—May 25.—Dance of McQuoid Engine Co., at
truck house.
—May 29.—Excursion to Shohola Glen, via
Erie Railroad.
—May 30.—Excursion to New York, via Erie
Railroad.
—June 1.—Pawnee Bill's show.
—June 3.—Patriotic entertainment, at Y. M. C.
rooms.
—June 15.—Free annual picnic of O. and W.
Silver Band, at Meunierhor Park.
—July 4.—Picnic of Ontario Hose Co., No. 5, at
Meunierhor Park, afternoon and evening.

The volunteer army of the United States
now numbers 112,000 men, most of
whom are well drilled and fairly well
equipped.

If Spain's Ministers were less ready to
announce "officially" that Cervera's fleet
is at Santiago, a great many people
would have more faith in the news that
the American squadron has it "bottled
up" there.

If the Spanish reserve squadron sails
from Cadiz for the West Indies and begins
a hide and seek game such as Cervera
has been playing, newspapers will have
to add an extra page or two to chronicle
the movements of Spain's two phantom
fleets.

Washington officials are so sure that
the Spanish fleet is shut up in the harbor
at Santiago that they have resumed
preparations for the invasion of Cuba.
It is assumed that this can now be done
with ease and safety. Havana will be
bombarded while the landing of the
troops is being made.

The persistent rumors of the destruc-
tion of the Spanish fleet in the Windward
Passage, which were current in London,
yesterday seem to have had their origin
in stock jobbing schemes which netted
a handsome profit for those who held
American securities, which scored a
handsome advance.

It will be a relief for the American peo-
ple to know that the War Board does
not propose to instruct Admiral Samp-
son as to how a battle shall be fought
with the Spanish fleet. The history of
battles planned in Washington has been
that they are either not fought at all or
so poorly fought that they end in defeat.

The estimates of the Secretaries of War
and the Navy are that the expenses of
the war for the present fiscal year, which
ends June 30th, including the \$50,000,
000 appropriated for the national de-
fense, will be about \$107,000,000. For
next year, should the war last that long,
and it now seems more than likely that
it will, it is estimated that the cost of
conducting it will be \$379,192,000. The
war revenue bill will not yield more than
\$150,000,000, and in order to keep the
treasury in funds it will be necessary to
issue bonds or some other form of gov-
ernment obligation.

Republican wrath at losing control of
the Police Department of the Democratic
city of New York having cooled a little,
the crazy project of preferring charges
against Mayor Van Wyck and having
him removed by Gov. Black is likely to
be abandoned. They have found that
the Mayor acted entirely within the
powers given him by the charter granted
the city by a Republican legislature and
signed by a Republican governor at a
time when the Republican bosses hoped
to be able to secure control of the gov-
ernment of the big city. It is a case of
"an engineer hoist by his own petard,"
and a fellow who moans because he is in
that plight never yet won public sym-
pathy.

A CHINAMAN'S PUN

From the Albany Argus.

Even a Chinaman can make puns. One
of the pictured Celestials at Manila
being asked what was the difference be-
tween a Spaniard and an American, re-
plied: "A Spaniard he talker talker, a
Methuen he does more."

WHEN NATURE

Needs assistance it may be best to render
it promptly, but one should remember
to use even the most perfect remedies
only when needed. The best and most
simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup
of Fig, manufactured by the California
Fruit Syrup Co.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN
GOSHEN TOWN.

Dangerously ill—Visiting in Newburgh—
Accepted a Position—Here for the
summer.

From Our Regular Correspondent

—J. D. Compton is dangerously ill at
his home on West Main street.
—Miss C. Louise Whidden is spending a
few days with Miss Henrietta Coleman,
at Newburgh.
—Miss Carrie Doremus has taken the
position in Clapp's dry goods store made
vacant by the resignation of Miss An-
toinette Samuels.

—Mrs. A. S. Murray has returned from
New York to her summer residence in
this village.

PAWNEE BILL'S WILD WEST.

This Popular Combination of Attrac-
tions to Be Here June 1st.

As will be seen by reference to our ad-
vertising columns, our people are to be
favored with these shows, now in popu-
lar combination, comprising a genuine
Wild West, Indian Village, Indian Mu-
seum, Hippodrome, Mexican Bull Fight,
Exposition of Trained Animals, headed
by the famed guide, scout, U. S. inter-
preter and Oklahoma hero, Major G. Wm.
Lillie (Pawnee Bill), with his own com-
pany. Genuine and true—it is no imi-
tation. His Indians are Indians, his
Mexicans are Mexicans, his cow boys
are cow boys, his vaqueros are vaqueros,
and so on through the long list of gen-
uine attractions. Would you see the Indian
as he was in his might; would you see
him in sage brush covered plains in the
valleys of the Rocky Mountain range?
If so, you may, by witnessing one exhi-
bition of Pawnee Bill's Historical Wild
West, in conjunction with his magnifi-
cent hippodrome, Mexican bull fight and
trained animal show, combining many
new and imposing features, namely, Miss
May Lillie, the 19th century Diana,
champion girl horseback rifle shot of the
world—absolutely without a rival. Senior
Jose Vala-ques, riding and driving 35
horses at one time Thrilling hippodrome,
trained animals, a herd of buffaloes and
a drove of long-horned Texas steers,
Indian ponies, bronchos, mu-tangs, etc.,
also a band of Australian bushmen, ra-
mous black trackers and boomerang
throwers, a troupe of famous Japanese
lancers, fencers and fighters and sword
combats on horseback. Ali Bros. Oriental
stars, Arabian acrobats and human
pyramid builders, 5,000 animate and in-
animate curiosities, making one of the
grandest and most wonderful exhibitions
that ever appeared in this city. A grand
free street parade will take place at 10 a.
m. Wait and see the big Wild West.

How's This!

We offer One hundred dollars Reward
for any case of Catarrh that can
not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., To-
ledo, Ohio.

We, the undersigned, have known
F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and
believe him perfectly honorable in all
business transactions and financially
able to carry out any obligation
made by their firm.
West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists,
Toledo, O., Walzing, Kinnam & Mar-
vin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken inter-
nally, acting directly upon the blood
and mucous surfaces of the system.
Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all
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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

A Giant Nerve Builder.

The Myotice Life Renewer is the most
powerful nerve builder known. It abso-
lutely cures all forms of nervous dis-
eases and weakness no matter how ag-
gravated or of how long duration, such
as neuralgia, nervous prostration,
nervous paroxysms, St. Vitus's dance,
palpitation of the heart, physical and
mental weakness, debility of old age etc.
Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire
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\$100—Dr. E. Hetchon's Anti Diuretic.

May be worth to you more than \$100
if you have a child who soils bedding
from incontinence of water during sleep.
Cures old and young alike. It arrests
the trouble at once. \$1. Sold by J. L.
Mills, druggist, Middletown, N. Y.

S. E. Parker, Sharon, Wis., writes—
"I have tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve
for itching piles and it always stops
them in two minutes. I consider DeWitt's
Witch Hazel Salve the greatest pile cure
on the market." W. D. Olney.



Uncle
Sam
Says
This is
America's
Greatest
Medicine.
It will
Sharpen
Your Appetite,
Purify and
Vitalize Your Blood. Overcome That
Tired Feeling. Get a bottle of
Hood's Sarsaparilla and begin to
take it TODAY, and realize the great
good it is sure to do you.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
is a purely vegetable medicine. All druggists.

To Show a Better Stock

CORSETS

than ours is difficult. We carry
about 300 dozen in stock, from
39c to \$2.50. Ask for our special
corset at 39 and 50c. Ferris
Waists, for ladies and children,
25, 50, 75c, \$1. The celebrated
Jackson Waist, for ladies, \$1.

Our Dress Goods Stock

Should and does attract buyers
Our leading Jamestown Goods
50 styles, direct from the mill, at
\$2.89, \$3.69, \$4.39 per dress, ex-
cel in style and quality all oth-
ers. They are equal or superior
to imported goods sold at twice
the price.

We have the test lines of Ho-
siery ever shown in the trade.
For instance—Our Boys' Hose at
10, 12½, 15c.; Our Ladies' Hose
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H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,
No. 39 North Street.

Best Delaware Co. Butter 20c

per pound, 18 and 30 pound
packages Butter 16 to 18c a
pound, 10 pound packages 18 to
20c a pound; Babbitt's and Bee
Soap 6 cakes 25c., Lenox and
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7 cakes 25c., X-Ray Soap 3 cakes
10c.; Arbuckle's and Lion Coffee
12c a pound, best Maracaibo 24c
a pound.

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The valuable three-story hotel property, near-
ly new, known as the Ontario and Western Hotel,
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N. Y., on line of O and W. R. R., in front of the
depot. Large barn and sheds attached, with es-
tablished livery trade. A small store attached
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acres good land. This is one of the best paying
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\$5.98.

Blue Serge Suits, all wool, guaranteed
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Men's Suits, plaids and mixtures, well
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Dutchess Trousers. The best made pants
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French Organdies at 25, 30, 35, 40c.

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"Military Gray."
—The new stationery with
Cuban and U. S. Flag.
—Our new Crepe Paper in
flag designs.
—Our stock of War Liter-
ature, Maps, etc.
—New catalogues of Ko-
daks and Cameras.
—Our stock of Croquet,
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Said a Word

About our Children's Shoes for
quite a while. Can't keep still
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Follow the footprints to

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Miss Rosa Diamond, sweet singer and dance artist; Miss Lillian Heban, serio-comic; Tommy Barrett, descriptive song and dance.
P. S.—Don't forget the grand ball, Thursday night, in connection with the above show. Cars leave for Middletown at 11 a. m., and Goheen at 12:20.

HUYLER'S Chocolates and Bon Bons fresh every week.
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"Apple Blossom." Have you tried it?—Our latest, newest perfume, dainty and durable!
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We make our Strawberry Syrup from the richest, sweetest, soundest strawberries grown. You'll find all their delicious flavor and aroma in our Ice Cream Soda. When walking or shopping

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These same sets are now being advertised and sold for \$25 in New York city.

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BEST PORCELAIN TEA SETS, Fancy decorations, 56 pieces,

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—Girl wanted to do general housework.
—Carriage apron and wheel guard at John T. Ogden & Son's.
—Eye glass repairing by Fred Moule.
—Hire 10 to 14 cents at Greenleaf's.
—Silver watch sale lost.
—Corsets 25c up at H. E. Church & Co's.
—Fire Department election June 14th.
—New kettle 10c at The New York Butcher.
—Millinery at cost at Mrs. Bach's.
—When ailing, take Myron's Remedies.
—Backache cured by Benson's Caprine Plasters.
—Coles cured by Hale's Horseband, Honey and Tar.
—For kidney troubles, take Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—The Inn at High Point will be opened May 30.

—O. and W.'s Mary Powell excursion, to-morrow, rain or shine.

—A new ordinance in Pongkeepsie limits the speed of bicyclists to six miles an hour.

—The county convention of the C. E. Societies of this county will be held in Port Jervis, June 16.

—Nine carloads of iron reached Port Jervis, Monday, for the Milford and Matamoras Railroad bridge.

—Two dagoes walking through North street, hand in hand, attracted no little attention about noon, to-day.

—The shower which passed over Port Jervis, Tuesday afternoon, was accompanied by hail. Rain fell in torrents.

—There will be an auction sale of household furniture at No. 95 Academy avenue, to-morrow, beginning at 1:30.

—Houston avenue, from Sprague to Prospect avenue, is in such condition that horses are driven upon the sidewalk.

—A hole appeared in the street opposite 27 Houston avenue, to-day, and the authorities are guarding it pending an investigation.

—The flag which the O. and W. employees at N. which raised on the round house, a few days ago, caught on a bolt and was badly torn. It has been sent away to be repaired.

—Mrs. St. John and her pupils will give a song recital in the Second Presbyterian Church, June 21st, under the auspices of the "Heart to Heart" Circle of the King's Daughters.

—Springling & Cogan have opened their confectionery and bakery in the G. B. Adams building. They have a large ice cream parlor in the rear and anticipate a good season's trade.

—The Phelps House at Afton, Chenango county, was destroyed by fire, early Sunday morning. Carrie Miller had an ankle sprained and a shoulder injured while descending from the burning building on a rope.

—The rainfalls of different years average about the same, and in order to bring about this result for this year a protracted drought will be necessary to offset the excessive rainfall of the past few weeks.

PERSONAL.

—H. P. Mygatt, of Saquehanna, Pa., is the guest of O. and W. Engineer George Baker.

—E. H. Harriman has been elected chairman of the executive committee of the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

—John W. Low, city editor of the New York Daily News, is in town. He will go to Livingston Manor for a few days' trout fishing.

—Fred Halstead, a member of the Port Jervis volunteers who are to be sent to Manila, is a brother of Miss Josie Halstead, of this city.

—Dr. W. C. Sebring, of Pine Bush, Orange county, has opened an office in the Dondoro & Cuneo building on Wall street.—Kingston Leader.

—Miss Lulu M. Barnes, of No. 9 Lake avenue, left here, to-day, on a few weeks' visit to the family of her sister, Mrs. E. P. Holt, at Haverstraw, N. Y.

—Fred Grant, a member of Alert Hose Company, of Norwich, is in town, and Eagle Hose Company's members are doing their best to entertain him.

—The many friends of ex-Superintendent of the Poor E. S. Puff, of Bullville, will regret to learn that he is making no progress toward recovering from the effects of the stroke of paralysis, from which he suffered several months ago. His one arm (the other was lost during the civil war) is completely useless, and he has to be fed and helped in every way like a child.

AT FORECLOSURE SALE.

Two Properties sold at Mortgage Sale in This City, To-day.

Two properties were sold at foreclosure, this afternoon, at the Russell House. In the matter of the Co-operative Building Bank vs. the late John Priest and others, a house and lot, 125x50, on Linden avenue, was sold for \$1,000 by Wm. Vanamee, referee. W. B. Royce was plaintiff's attorney.

In the matter of Daniel S. Slanson vs. Julia A. Shaw and others, the Oscar H. Shaw farm of 224 acres, near Howells, was sold for \$7,000 to the plaintiff by Referee J. C. R. Taylor. Daniel Finn was plaintiff's attorney.

Striking Brickmakers Threatening Trouble.

Two hundred men employed at the Rose brick yards, north of Newburgh, are on strike. They are of all nationalities, and are threatening trouble. Ten deputy sheriffs are on duty there, and in case of trouble the Tenth Company of Newburgh will be called out.

Three Hungarians who assaulted men loading a brick barge were arrested, yesterday.

MORE TROOPS NEEDED.

The President Calls for 75,000 More Volunteers

THE OREGON SAFE

Her Arrival at Jupiter Inlet Officially Announced

A Proclamation Calling for 75,000 More Volunteers Issued by the President.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The President has issued a proclamation calling for 75,000 more volunteers. This will make a total army strength, regular and volunteer, of 280,000.

THE OREGON IN JUPITER INLET.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Secretary Long has officially announced the arrival of the battleship Oregon in Jupiter Inlet, Florida.

JUPITER, Fla., May 25.—The Oregon has left this port.

[Jupiter Inlet is on the east coast of Florida, about 260 miles north of Key West. The arrival of the Oregon there indicates that after passing Barbadoes in order to avoid Spanish ships she kept to the east and north of the Leeward and Bahama Islands.—Ed. Argus.]

THE VOLUNTEER ARMY.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Thus far 112,000 men have been mustered into the volunteer army of the United States, and official reports show most of these are ready to move to the front. Over two-thirds of the States have entirely completed their muster.

CAPTURED AMERICAN SHIP RELEASED.

LONDON, May 25.—A dispatch, to-day, from Lloyd's agent, Manila via Hong Kong, says the American bark, Saranac, Capt. Bartaby, from Newcastle, N. S. W., Feb. 26, for Iloilo, in the Philippines, which was captured shortly after the outbreak of the war by the Spanish gunboat El Cano, has been released. The Saranac took about 1,640 tons of coal to Iloilo, which it is said was unloaded before the ship was captured. The coal was released some time ago. The Saranac is owned by Wm. Simpson, Jr., of New York.

MARTIAL LAW WANTED IN KEY WEST.

KEY WEST, May 25.—James J. Dorsey, fifty-five years old, was found dead, early this morning, in the yards near the Key West Hotel. This, with an assault by a negro upon two sailors, last night, has aroused the people to demand that the city be put under martial law.

Dorsey came to Florida as an expert machinist and had received a considerable amount of money. He was so terribly beaten about the head that only a search of his clothes revealed his identity.

MANY WORKMEN BURIED IN A COLLAPSED BUILDING.

New York, May 25.—Another building collapsed, this morning. It was an apartment house on 112th street. Many workmen were buried in the ruins. One report says six were killed and many more were injured.

SPANISH PHILIPPINE EXPEDITION ABANDONED.

New York, May 25.—The Journal bulletin says the indications are that the Spanish have abandoned the Philippine expedition, and the Cadiz fleet may be sent to reinforce Cervera.

A SPANISH SPY CAUGHT RED HANDED.

KEY WEST, May 25.—The name of the spy captured on the prize Panama is Francisco Juan. He had five charts of American harbors on him; also tracings of the defenses of New York Harbor and its mines and torpedo beds.

BELIEVES CERVERA IS COOPED UP.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—While Secretary Long has no official advice he says he fully credits the press dispatches and has reasons to believe that Admiral Cervera is cooped up in Santiago with Schley outside.

SPANISH PRISONERS AGAIN COMPLAINING.

MADRID, May 25.—It is said here that the Spanish prisoners of war in the United States have again complained that they are being treated like convicts.

CAMP BLACK VOLUNTEERS ALL MUSTERED IN.

New York, May 25.—All the volunteers at Camp Black have been mustered in to the United States service and the camp is now a regular army post.

ALL QUIET AT MANILA.

LONDON, May 25.—A Times dispatch from Hong Kong says Manila is tranquil. Foreign cruisers have agreed on concert action for the protection of foreigners in any emergency.

WON THE DERBY.

ERROM, Eng., May 25.—The Derby was won by Jeddah, owned by J. W. Larnach.

AN EASY MARK.

Spanish Fleet Has Committed Suicide If It Is at Santiago.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

KEY WEST, May 25.—Nothing definite is known about possible operations in Eastern Cuba but it is accepted here as a fact that the Spanish fleet is blockaded in Santiago harbor, in which event, naval opinion here is that the Spanish fleet has committed suicide.

It is now no breach of confidence to say that Commodore Schley and Rear Admiral Sampson are believed to have Cervera in their reach, and if the Spaniards are in Santiago harbor they can be blockaded and starved for a single heavy American vessel can hold the harbor's narrow exit through which the Spaniards could emerge only singly.

There is most thorough confidence among naval officers here in the skill and energy of both American commanders, and it is believed that their triumph in West Indian waters is assured.

SETTLING CANADIAN DISPUTES.

A Conference for the Adjustment of All Differences With Our Northern Neighbor.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Negotiations designed to bring about a settlement of all controversies between the United States and Canada began, to-day, at the State department, when Gen. John W. Foster and Reciprocity Commissioner Kasson held a conference with the Canadian Minister of Marine, Sir Louis Davies, and Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador.

The purpose of the negotiations is first to arrive at a basis of settlement, and then to arrange for the formation of a joint commission, which will frame a treaty of settlement of the questions which are supposed to be reciprocity between the United States and Canada in regard to Behring Sea fisheries, border immigration, Klondike mining regulations and the fisheries of the great lakes and the north Atlantic.

MR. GLADSTONE'S FUNERAL.

HAWARDEN, May 25.—The remains of Mr. Gladstone were removed this morning from Hawarden Castle to the village church. They were carried by half a dozen old retainers of the family to a wheeled bier on which they were taken over the lawn past the favorite nooks of the deceased in the park to the church followed by the family. Thousands of people were at Hawarden to view the remains.

The body started for London at 6:07, this evening.

THE TROOPS AT CHICKAMAUGA.

CHATTANOOGA, May 25.—By actual count the number of men now in Chickamauga Park is 34,838, thirty-five regiments of infantry, two of cavalry, and eight batteries of artillery.

Ohio has furnished the greatest number, six regiments, with 5328 men. Pennsylvania ranks next with six regiments, but a slightly smaller number of men. As to equipment the army will be ready to move on Cuba within fifteen days.

THE NEWS CONFIRMED.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, May 25.—The report of the arrival of the Spanish Cape Verde fleet at Santiago de Cuba is correct. The correspondent of the Associated Press has obtained definite confirmation of this news but it is impossible to obtain details.

"BOTTLED UP" FOR SURE.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—There is no longer any doubt that the Spanish fleet, now in Santiago harbor, is hemmed in by Commodore Schley's squadron and that its exit is impossible.

A TROOPER DROWNED.

TAMPA, May 25.—Private John W. Wettsall, Troop G, Sixth Cavalry, was drowned in Hillsboro River, late last night, while bathing with a hundred comrades.

ENLISTMENTS OPEN TO ALL.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Secretary Alger said, to-day, that the additional volunteers will not be recruited from the National Guard, as the first 125,000 were, but that enlistments will be open to all.

LAST CUBAN CABLE TO BE CUT TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—It is expected that the last cable connection between Cuba and Madrid will be cut, to-day.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Of Woman's Auxiliary to Archdeaconry of Orange in This City, To-day.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Archdeaconry of Orange was held at Grace Church, to-day. Rev. J. Thompson Cole preached ably in the morning, and Rev. Geo. C. Betts, of Goshen, and Rev. P. C. Creveling, were present and took part in the service. Holy communion was celebrated by Rector Evans.

The visiting ladies were entertained at luncheon at Rowley's King street restaurant.

The auxiliary, which has for its object the raising of funds to assist the Archdeaconry in its mission work and the creating and furthering of a general interest in church work, devoted the afternoon to the transaction of business.

Among the ladies present were: Mrs. Mead, Mrs. M. A. Hazen, Mrs. H. B. Breed, Cornwall; Mrs. Grinnell Burt, Mrs. Tibbals, Warwick; Mrs. Wiener, Mrs. Grier, Goshen; Mrs. Creveling, Liberty; Miss Hame, Mrs. Bearse, Ellenville; Mrs. Hebron, Mrs. Carpenter, Marlborough; Miss Appleton, New Windsor.

ERIE BOILER EXPLOSION.

The Coroner's Jury Unable to Ascertain Its Cause.

Coroner Harding completed his inquest into the recent explosion of Erie engine 865, at Greycourt, which resulted in the deaths of Engineer Kronk and Fireman Franklin.

The sensational testimony of Tuesday afternoon was that given by Edward Tarrall, a merchant of Greycourt, brother-in-law of the late Engineer Wm. Kronk, and a former fireman on the Erie. He said that on the day after the accident he made a thorough inspection of the boiler and found that where material had worn away in the combustion chamber it had been plugged. He also found broken stay bolts. He said that Engineer Kronk had told him that the engine was unsafe, and that he had laid off three trips owing to his fear that the engine would explode.

The jury exonerated the engineer and fireman from any blame in the matter, and found that the cause of the explosion was unknown.

The Erie inspector of engines testified that the engine was tested by hitting the staybolts with a hammer, the difference in sound showing their condition. He admitted on cross-examination that these sounds were not conclusive and that he was partially deaf.

THE 24TH IN LUCK.

Their Assignment to Governor's Island a Very Desirable One.

The latest information as to the assignment of the 24th is that it will be sent to Governor's Island with the Second Battalion of the First Regiment. This certainly is a "snag" for it is the most desirable station to which troops can be assigned.

Knights of the Maccabees Didn't Owe Nat Jennings a Cent.

Officers of Middletown Tent, Knights of the Maccabees, say there is no truth in the statement published in one of the city papers by friends of Nat L. Jennings to the effect that the money of the Tent, which Jennings took, was due him on account of salary. They say that the Tent did not owe Jennings a cent. The money collected by Jennings should have been remitted to the Supreme Tent of the order in payment of assessments.

Morhagen-Hoe Co.'s members are also indignant at the statement that the company was indebted to Jennings. They say it owed him nothing.

Traction Company Stopped From Using Imperfect Brick.

The city authorities very rightly interfered, Tuesday, and stopped work when it was found that the Traction Company's employees were placing hacked and broken brick in the place of those removed last year on East Main street. The work has not yet been recommenced, nor will it be allowed to be until perfect brick are provided by the company.

Now a Kentucky Colonel.

W. J. Murphy, formerly Superintendent of the Erie, now Superintendent of the Southern Railroad, with headquarters at Lexington, Ky., has been appointed by Gov. Bradley, of Kentucky, a colonel on his staff in recognition of the rapidity and safety with which his road handled the transportation of Kentucky's troops.

A Pugilist at Liberty.

Matty Matthews, a likely young pugilist who is training at the Hotel Nutting, Liberty, was the subject of a full-page picture, issued as a supplement to the last number of the Police Gazette. That paper speaks of him as a formidable candidate for pugilistic laurels.

Special Services at Faith Mission.

Elder Martin Hancock, pastor of the Tabernacle of the Testimony, Jersey City, commenced a series of meetings and bible readings at Faith Mission, No. 11 Mill street, this afternoon. The public are cordially invited to attend these services. Please bring your bible with you.

Crystal in a Smash Up.

The chemical engine and the hose carriage of Crystal Hose Company, of Scranton, had a collision, Monday night, in which the driver and three members of Crystal were injured, and the chemical engine was smashed.

Called to New York for a Few Days.

Dr. Paul H. Collins, who is stopping at the Madison House and who has a large number of patients here, has been called to New York for a few days. He will return the latter part of the week.

A Rain or Shine Excursion.

Don't forget the O. and W. Mary Powell excursion, to-morrow. The O. and W. is battling the weather, and a clear day is promised for to-morrow. Excursion will run, rain or shine. It

If you are not feeling well, why don't you take Hood's Sarsaparilla? It will purify and enrich your blood and do you wonderful good.

"Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

is the best remedy that I know of for

La Grippe."

Rev. J. K. CHASE, South Hampton, N. R.

HALF-SIZE BOTTLES, 50c.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure

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Ideal Treatment for Rheumatism.

The "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism removes at once the rheumatic poison from the system and the disease immediately disappears. Whilst the "Mystic Life Renewer" builds up the shattered nervous system, improves the digestion and restores the general health. It is the greatest cure for all nervous diseases and weakness as well as the most powerful nerve builder known.

Sold by J. E. Mills, 2 Empire Block, Druggist, Middletown.

De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve.

Cures Piles, Scalds, Bites.

SPECIAL BARGAINS THIS WEEK!

We are Off-ring, This Week, a Fine Line of

Up-to-Date Shoes and Oxford Ties!

PLEASE GIVE US A CALL BEFORE GOING ELSEWHERE.

Ladies' Pat. Leather Lace Shoes \$2.00
Ladies' Black Oxford Ties \$1.00
Ladies' Tan Oxford Ties \$1.00

We also have a fine line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's White Kid Slippers at

SAMUELS'

One Price Shoe Store, No. 11 North Street, Middletown.

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It's All Right.

The above is the universal opinion now in regard to our big closing out sale.

We said at the beginning that we should sell everything at least for cost, and many things for half of their original cost. That the public believe that statement is evident from the great amount of goods we are disposing of.

Men's Suits, Custom and ready-made. Boys' and Children's Suits

of all kinds.

Underwear in endless variety.

Men's Shirts, plain and fancy.

Horse Blankets, Robes, Etc.

GEO. W. YOUNG,

16-18 East Main St., Middletown

Clothier, Hatter and Merchant Tailor.

ICE CREAM SODA 5c.

Made from Orange county's richest cream, with true fruit flavors. Our Chocolate is famous. Have you tried our Egg Phosphate? None other like it.

OLNEY'S

12-14 East Main Street

THE MILK MARKET.

Surplus Now on Hand Likely to Disappear When Warmer Weather Comes.

From the Milk Reporter.

The amount of milk just now produced is considerably more than sufficient to meet the daily demand, but with a week or so of continued warm weather it is probable that comparatively little surplus would remain to vex the market. This means that the surplus usually in sight under present conditions (cows about all into fresh pasture) has not materialized.

The low prices which have prevailed during the past few years has not only made it difficult to develop new territory, but have tended to discourage production in the older districts, while New York's increasing population causes a continually increasing demand.

These conditions have prevailed until, apparently, a point has been reached where the ordinary summer shrinkage in production will cause a short market and consequent advance in price.

NO SPANISH COLORS.

Why Italian Barbers Tied a Bag Over Their Pole.

The Italian barbers on James street, near King, erected a handsome, white and blue barber pole, capped with yellow, in front of their place, Monday. It was the pride of the street until some one came along and told the barbers that "yellow" was Spanish, and they would lose all their trade. The barbers were quick to act, and a paper bag is now tied over the top of the pole, awaiting the arrival of a painter who will remove the obnoxious yellow.

School Trustees Removed.

William Sirrine, Reuben J. Rose and Charles Brooks were on Saturday ordered removed as trustees of school district No. 1, town of Highlands, on the complaint of William Reynolds and thirty-four other voters of the district, charging the trustees with willful violation of duty in expending school moneys which were not authorized by the district. They were alleged to have paid the fees of the attorney who defended them in an action brought against them as school officers of the district.

Mary Powell Excursion, To-morrow, Rain or Shine.

The Mary Powell excursion was again postponed, and will be run to-morrow, May 26th, rain or shine. For those desiring to visit Camp Black, ticket agents will sell tickets good returning on train leaving West Forty-second street at 12:15 p. m., for \$1.50. Train leaves Wickham avenue 7 a. m., Main street two minutes later.

Small Grass Crop Likely on Lowlands.

While there is every prospect of an immense crop of upland grass, the low meadows through which streams of water run are sanded so badly from high waters that they are ruined so far as a good crop of grass is concerned. Along the Walkkill the most serious damage is noted.

Cows Killed by Lightning Near Bullville.

A very heavy thunder storm passed over Bullville, Tuesday afternoon, and lightning struck several trees. Under one of these trees, on the Alfred Weller place, four cows belonging to William E. Weller were instantly killed. Case & Taylor hold insurance on them.

Destroying Tent Caterpillars' Nests.

An hour or two spent now in destroying the nests of tent caterpillars will accomplish as much as a day devoted to the work later in the season. Souking the nests, with kerosene, which can easily be done with a piece of sheepskin attached to a pole, is all that is necessary.

Another Attempt to Secure Bail for Eugene C. Harding.

Attorney Thomas C. Rogers states that another effort to secure bail for Eugene C. Harding will be made, to-day. Three of the original bondsmen withdrew after reading newspaper reports of the young man's actions.

A New Departure.

Purell, the Palm restaurant, announces that Sunday he will serve table d'hôte dinner from 5:30 to 8 p. m. for seventy-five cents. If this venture proves successful he will begin a Saturday night business men's dinner, to be served for forty-five cents.

Has Not Run Away.

The report which was current yesterday, that Master Edward Cattilaz had left town suddenly is incorrect. The young man intends to go to New York in search of work but is not a "runaway."

Has Leased the Hotel at South Fallsburgh.

W. F. O'Neill informs the Argus that E. R. Russell has leased his hotel at South Fallsburgh, and will take possession immediately, just as published Monday.

Nuptial Notes.

The wedding of Miss Mary Ophelia, daughter of Supervisor S. D. Robinson, and Arthur Chamberlain, will occur at 7:30, to-night, at the home of the bride's parents at Bullville. Rev. Mr. Hayes will officiate. The couple will drive to this city and leave on a late train.

Monarch over pain. Burns, cuts, sprains, stings. Instant relief. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. At any drug store.

ATTRACTIVE WOMEN.

Fullness of Health Makes Sweet Dispositions and Happy Homes.

[EXTRACTS FROM MRS. PINKHAM'S NOTE BOOK.]

Woman's greatest gift is the power to inspire admiration, respect and love. There is a beauty in health which is more attractive to men than mere regularity of feature.

To be a successful wife, to retain the love and admiration of her husband, should be a woman's constant study. At the first indication of ill health, painful menses, pains in the side, headache or backache, secure Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and begin its use. This truly wonderful remedy is the safeguard of women's health.

Mrs. MABEL SMITH, 345 Central Ave., Jersey City Heights, N. J., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I can hardly find words with which to thank you for what your wonderful remedy has done for me. Without it I would by this time have been dead or worse, insane; for when I started to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was in a terrible state. I think it would be impossible for me to tell all I suffered. Every part of my body seemed to pain some way. The pain in my back and head was terrible. I was nervous, had hysterics and fainting spells. My case was one that was given up by two of the best doctors in Brooklyn. I had given up myself; as I had tried so many things, I believed nothing would ever do me any good. But, thanks to your medicine, I am now well and strong; in fact, another person entirely."

If you are puzzled about yourself, write freely and fully to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., and secure the advice which she offers free of charge to all women. This is the advice that has brought sunshine into many homes which nervousness and irritability had nearly wrecked.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; a Woman's Remedy for Woman's ills

The State Fireman's Convention.

The New York State Fireman's Association will be held at Binghamton, from August 16 to 19, inclusive. Prizes amounting to \$2,400 will be awarded as follows: Prize drill, \$300 first; \$200 second; \$100 third. Hand engine contest, \$125 first; \$75 second. Band contest, \$500 first; \$200 second. Hose race, \$300 first; \$200 second; \$100 third. Hook and ladder race, \$125 first; \$75 second. Hub and hub race, \$125 first; \$75 second. Largest uniformed company with band from out of New York State, \$100.

Impure Blood in Spring.

This is the almost universal experience. Diminished perspiration during winter, rich foods and close confinement indoors are some of the causes. A good Spring Medicine, like Hood's Sarsaparilla, is absolutely necessary to purify the blood and put the system in a healthy condition at this season.

Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver tonic. Gentle, reliable, sure.

Edicate Your Bowels With Cascarella. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, May 25, '98.

Sugar	Close	Close
Chicago	18 1/2	18 1/2
Nat. Lead	6 1/2	6 1/2
General Electric	30 1/2	30 1/2
U. S. L. pref.	6 1/2	6 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron	28	28 1/2
A. T. & S. F.	12 1/2	12 1/2
C. R. & Q.	10 1/2	10 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	9 1/2	9 1/2
R. I.	10 1/2	10 1/2
D. L. & W.	9 1/2	9 1/2
C. of N. J.	12 1/2	12 1/2
Erie	10 1/2	10 1/2
O. & W.	13 1/2	13 1/2
Susquehanna & Western	19	19
Susquehanna & West. pref.	19	19
P. & R.	12 1/2	12 1/2
N. W.	11 1/2	11 1/2
N. Y. C.	116 1/2	116 1/2
M. P.	37 1/2	37 1/2
Exts.	23 1/2	23 1/2
D. P.	9 1/2	9 1/2
W. Union	9 1/2	9 1/2
L. & N.	5 1/2	5 1/2
Manhattan	10 1/2	10 1/2
P. M.	27 1/2	27 1/2
Wash. pref.	20	19 1/2
N. Pacific pref.	6 1/2	6 1/2
Metropolitan Traction	16 1/2	16 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	41 1/2	41 1/2
Southern pref.	10 1/2	10 1/2
July Wheat	24 1/2	24 1/2
July Corn	24 1/2	24 1/2
July Oats	24 1/2	24 1/2
July Pork	\$11 57	\$11 82
July Lard	6 17	6 20

*Ex. Div. 14 per cent.

MARRIED.

RAMPE-TAYLOR—At Liberty Falls, May 7th, '98, by Rev. H. W. Armstrong, William Rampe and Eva Taylor, both of Liberty.

DEPPA-COX—Near Briscoe, May 11th, '98, by Rev. H. W. Armstrong, James A. Deppa and Margaret Cox, both of Briscoe.

DIED.

STRATTON—In this city, May 24th, '98, James H. Stratton, aged seventy-two years, ten months. Funeral services will be held at Grace Episcopal Church, Thursday afternoon, at two-thirty o'clock. Interment in family plot, Hillside Cemetery.

FIRRE O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 24 North street. Telephone No. 8. Lady assistant, New York office 184 East 124 street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 56 Great Jones St., New York City. Lady assistant, Telephone Call No. 16.

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I. DOSTERHOFF, Undertaker and Embalmer, 14 James street, Seaman Building, Middletown, N. Y. Lady assistant. Branch offices in New York and Brooklyn. Telephone—115, residence, 212, office.

Have Gone to Camp Black.

H. B. Royce, Richard Knight, Russel Wiggins and Arlington Ambler, Miss Jeannette Deakes, Miss Fanny M. Corwin, Miss Lizzie Mead, Mrs. H. C. McBrat, Mrs. E. W. Schubert, Mrs. Walthall, Miss Mollie Cummings, Mrs. E. Madden Decker, Mrs. F. M. Madden and Mrs. W. F. Bailey went to Camp Black, to-day.

It's folly to suffer from that horrible plague of the night, itching piles. Doan's Ointment cures quickly and permanently. At any drug store, 50 cents.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.
Is the safest and best means with which to rid yourself of a bad cough, sore throat, bronchitis or the grippe. At all dealers. Price 25 cents.

ONE CENT A WORD
for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

GOOD Window Screens 10c at DAYTON'S.

WANTED—Girl to do general housework. Enquire at HOLDING HOUSE. 57d at

LOST—Silver Match Safe. Will under return of the same to T. M. S. G. ROGERS, 75 North street, and receive reward? 1td

BOSTON ROASTS 5 CENTS. CROSS RIB 12 1/2 CTS. RUMP ROASTS 10 CTS. GREENING'S.

10 CENT Granite Sale, to-day, at DAYTON'S.

PORK IN ABUNDANCE 9 CENTS. CHOPS 10 CTS. SEE WINDOW. GREENING'S.

WANTED—Young man on farm for light work. Good home and good wages. 56 12 1/2 St. W. Apply at this office.

WANTED ON BOND AND MORTGAGE—\$2,000, 5 per cent.—\$1,000 and \$500. Good security. EDWIN S. MERRILL, Attorney at Law, Rooms 5 and 6 Times building, King street.

GREENING'S. PRIME RIBS 10 AND 12 1/2 CTS. EXTRA HEAVY ONLY 14 CTS. GREENING'S.

TO LET—Six large double upper rooms. Central, Roberts street. B. S. KEELER.

FOR SALE—Two fine blooded colts, three and four years old, broken to harness, sound and kind. Call on or address 99d 2nd May 18 J. R. HALSEY, Westtown, N. Y.

THE Klondike isn't it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Storage House, 21 Monahan avenue. 7d 1/2 1/2 23, 28

AT COST—We are overstocked, and in order to convert the goods into cash before the season is too far advanced, we offer our entire stock of new and stylish millinery at cost. We will hold nothing in reserve, but give the choice of everything at cost.

MRS. BUSH, 144 North street.

YOUR "Glass Eyes" can get out of shape as well as your natural ones, but they can be put in order more easily if placed in proper hands. Repairing is a branch of the Optical Business neglected by many opticians. I find that I make friends by giving it my

Particular Attention.

Experience and the "know-how" enable me to make everything "as good as new."

"A HAND IN TIME SAVES NINE."

FRED MOULE, Ophthalmic Optician,

NO. 6 WEST MAIN ST., 1ST STAIRS.

56d at

A REPLEVIN SUIT.

Angus Terwilliger Loses His Case—Link Marks That Wouldn't Wash.

The Angus Terwilliger—Ostrander replevin suit was heard before Justice Wiggins, Tuesday afternoon. J. C. R. Taylor appeared for Taylor and Thos. Watts for the defendants. The jury found a verdict of no cause for action.

The goods which Terwilliger replevined and which were brought into court by Constable Faulkner included a tablecloth, which had "A. D. T." stamped upon it and which Terwilliger claimed was his own. The jury tried a little cold water on the marks and readily washed them out, though it was proven that the cloth had been washed before. The defense says that the cloth was marked by a friend of Terwilliger, who did it while the cloth was hanging on a line in the defendant's yard.

Erie Excursion to New York.

The Erie announces an excursion to New York at the round trip rate of \$1, on Decoration Day, May 30th. Tickets good going only on special train, leaving Middletown, James street, at 7:54, Main street, 7:56 a. m. Returning, on special train leaving Jersey City at 8 p. m. In addition to the usual attractions offered visitors at all seasons of the year there will be a military and civic parade, also matinees at all the theatres, base ball games morning and afternoon, at the Polo Grounds, New York, and Washington Park, Brooklyn.

Dedication of a New Church.

The new Methodist Church at Parkville, Sullivan county, will be dedicated June 12. Arrangements are being made to have Bishop Andrews take charge of the service.

The Population of Middletown.

Is about 15,000 and we would say at least one-half are troubled with some affection of the Throat and Lungs, as those complaints are, according to statistics, more numerous than others. We would advise all not to neglect the opportunity to call on their druggists and get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. Price 25 and 50c. Trial size free. Sold by all druggists.

FOUVENIR SPOON.

BATTLESHIP MAINE!

given with each package of "Old Grist Mill" Roasted Wheat, Rolled Wheat, Wheat Coffee.

C. N. FREEMORE & SON.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

By resolution of the Common Council, passed March 24th 1898 7 per cent. interest from date of confirmation of assessment, will be charged on the following assessments remaining unpaid on and after June 1st, 1898:

Center street pavement, Depot street pavement, King street pavement, Sprague avenue sewer, East avenue (from Washington street) sewer, North street extension sewer.

By order of the Common Council.

CHARLES TIERNEY, President. I. B. A. TAYLOR, City Clerk.

Fire Department Election Notice.

The annual election of the Fire Department of Middletown, N. Y., will be held at the house of Ex. Mayor Book and Ladder Co., No. 1, King street, on Tuesday evening, June 14th, 1898, from seven until nine o'clock, to elect a Chief Engineer in place of Charles Higgins, First Assistant Chief in place of Daniel Schmitt, Second Assistant in place of E. A. Lorentz, Secretary in place of J. E. Nicholson, and Treasurer in place of Ira M. Corwin, for the ensuing year.

By order of the Common Council.

CHARLES TIERNEY, President. I. B. A. TAYLOR, Clerk.

Dated May 23d, 1898.

FARD Square Mosaic Signs 50 cents. Lettered to your order with 50 letters or less, in bright, lasting oil colors, 50 cents each, post paid. Very attractive for indoors or outside. Take them on 233 East 14th street.

G. F. HARDING, Sign Artist, Wurtsboro, N. Y.

\$100 REWARD

for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who broke into the store house of Cummins Bros. distillery, on May 15th, at South Centerville.

J. & P. CUMMINGS.

54d at

VERY Best Large Lawn Mowers \$2.25 at DAYTON'S.

1 4 OFF. Great 25 Per Cent. Discount Sale. Right in the Season. **1 4 OFF.**

The First Loss is the Best Loss. That's the Principle We Work On.

If we carried our Spring Goods over to next season we'd probably have to sell them at a loss then; how much better it is to take our loss now—to get the money out of the goods. This sale takes place on account of the backward season and hard times. We believe we are on the right track, so here we go.

Commencing on Wednesday, MAY 25th, and Lasting Fifteen Days,

we will offer a discount of ONE-FOURTH OFF on all

Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits, Hats, Caps of Every Description.

This Means \$15 00 Suits for \$11.25

This Means 12.00 Suits for 9.00

This Means 10.00 Suits for 7.50

This Means 8.00 Suits for 6.00

This Means 6.00 Suits for 4.50

This Means 5.00 Suits for 3.75

This Means Young's \$3 00 Hat for \$2.25

This Means Young's 2.00 Hat for 1.50

This Means Young's 1.50 Hat for 1.13

This Means Young's 1.25 Hat for 94

This Means Young's 1.00 Hat for 75

This Means Young's 75 Hat for 57

Trousers, Vests, Straw Hats, Caps, Gloves, Children's Clothing, All Bicycle Goods!

etc., ALL DISCOUNTED. Remember the date the trouble commences and be on hand. Leave one-fourth of what you expected to pay at home, the balance will pay for the goods.

We Always Do as We Advertise and Our Patrons Know It.

DON'T FORGET THE STORE OF

CHAS. WOLFF'S SON,

The Oldest Established and Most Reliable Clothier in the City,

No. 43 James Street,

Near Erie Depot.